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1. 1976 NATIONAL ENERGY OUTLOOK INCLUDED "REGIONAL
LIMITATION" SCENARIO, WHICH ASSUMED ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS
ON ENERGY PRODUCTION BY CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.
WESTERN COAL PRODUCING STATES HAVE BEEN CONCERNED WITH
RAPID DEVELOPMENT OF COAL RESOURCES FOR EASTERN INDUSTRIAL
MARKETS WITH ATTENDANT SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.
A SEVERANCE TAX IS A PERCENTAGE TAX ON THE VALUE OF EACH
TON OF COAL PRODUCED, TO GENERATE STATE REVENUE IN
COMPENSATION FOR LOST RESOURCE. MONTANA CURRENTLY APPLIES
30 PERCENT SEVERANCE TAX. THE SCENARIO ASSUMED TAX ONLY
FOR WESTERN STATES BECAUSE ONLY THOSE STATE GOVERNMENTS
HAVE OR ARE LIKELY TO IMPOSE SUCH RESTRICTIONS.

2. FYI. ANALYSIS AND PROJECTIONS IN 1976 NATIONAL ENERGY
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OUTLOOK HAVE BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY REVISED IN NEW ANALYSIS
FOR THE NATIONAL ENERGY PLAN, AND NO LONGER SERVE AS
BASIS FOR U.S. POLICY OR ANALYSIS. NEW ENERGY PLAN IS
CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW IN THE SENATE AND FINAL VERSION
WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR SOME TIME. VANCE

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